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Malheur National Wildlife Refuge

One of the crown jewels of the National Wildlife Refuge System, Malheur National Wildlife Refuge protects more than 187,000 acres of habitat in the Oregon's high desert. The Refuge is famous for its tremendous diversity and concentrations of wildlife. Boasting over 320 bird species and 58 mammal species, Malheur is a mecca for birdwatchers and wildlife enthusiasts.

Volunteers are a part of Malheur National Wildlife Refuge. Volunteers play a vital role in helping the Refuge fulfill its mission of conserving, protecting and enhancing America's fish and wildlife and their habitats.



"We're so glad we joined the team as volunteers. It was a great experience, to hear sandhill cranes and a variety of other wildlife, and knowing we were helping the staff and the people who had come to see this special place."

Sally & Tom. Refuge volunteers



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"Malheur was so much more than the wildlife. It was the history, the geology, the landscape, and the night sky. The fact that we can volunteer and experience the uniqueness of the area made the volunteer experience seem like a hidden gem off a

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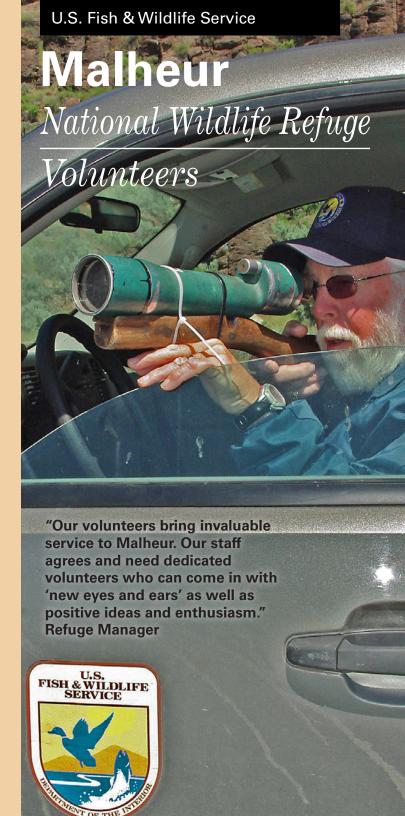
for Refuge Information 1800/344-WILD

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What Do Volunteers Do?

Volunteers perform a wide variety of tasks at Malheur National Wildlife Refuge. No special skills are needed to be a volunteer. However, on the job training is provided if needed.

Some volunteer tasks include:

- Conducting fish and wildlife surveys
- Leading tours and providing information and interpretation to the visiting public
- Assisting in the maintenance program and taking part in special projects
- Staffing the visitor center and gift shop
- Performing clerical and administrative duties



Photo by: Doug Dill/USFWS Volunteer

Photographing a variety of natural and cultural resources

To volunteer, a one month commitment and 24 to 32 hours a week is required during any particular season, but some volunteers choose to work for two months or more, mainly during the spring and fall migrations.



Visitor center at Refuge Headquarters

What Does The Refuge Provide?

Malheur National Wildlife Refuge has six RV sites at Refuge Headquarters and three furnished government houses, two

located at Refuge Headquarters and one located at P Ranch, 40 miles south of Refuge Headquarters.

The amount of time you volunteer is determined by whether you need an RV site for a recreational vehicle or government housing. You may work three 8-hour days for an RV site or four 8-hour days for government housing. A one month commitment is required to volunteer.





RVers Dayroom

RV Sites include:

- Level concrete pads
- Full hookups (water, sewage and 50 amps)
- WiFi
- Free laundry facility
- Fully equipped kitchen
- Shower and restroom facility
- Furnished dayroom and screened porch

Government housing includes:

- Two or three bedroom houses, fully furnished and equipped for living
- WiFi
- Free laundry facility
- Satellite TV



P Ranch volunteer house

How to Apply

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please call Malheur National Wildlife Refuge at 541/493-2612. You can also visit the Refuge's website at www.fws. gov/malheur. A volunteer application will need to be completed and submitted to the Refuge. You will be contacted regarding available volunteer opportunities.



